DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 11365]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Employment Application for Locally Employed Staff or Family Member

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Submit comments up to [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- <u>Title of Information Collection</u>: Employment Application for Locally Employed

 Staff or Family member
- OMB Control Number: 1405-0189
- Type of Request: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection
- Originating Office: Bureau of Global Talent Management, Office of Overseas Employment (GTM/OE)

- Form Number: DS-0174
- *Respondents*: The respondents are locals who live in 175 countries abroad and who are applying for a position at the U.S. Embassy, Consulate or Mission in their country. In addition, Family members who are accompanying their partners to assignments in the U.S. Embassies, Consulates or Mission abroad.
- <u>Estimated Number of Respondents</u>: 1,000,000
- <u>Estimated Number of Responses</u>: 1,000,000
- Average Time Per Response: 15 minutes
- Total Estimated Burden Time: 250,000
- Frequency: On Occasion
- Obligation to Respond: Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this
 proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions
 used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of Proposed Collection

The information solicited is used to establish eligibility and qualifications at U.S. Embassies, Consulates, and Missions abroad. The respondents are locals who live in the

175 countries abroad and who are applying for a position at the U.S. Embassy, Consulate or Mission in their country. In addition, Family members who are accompanying their partners to assignments in the U.S. Embassies, Consulates or Mission abroad. The

authority is the Foreign Service Act of 1980, as amended, and 22 U.S.C 2669(c).

Methodology

Candidates for employment use the DS-0174 to apply for Mission-advertised

positions around the world. Mission recruitments generate approximately 1 million

applications per year, the majority of which are collected electronically using an

applicant management system, Electronic Recruitment Application (ERA). Data that HR

and hiring officials extract from the DS-0174 determine employment eligibility and

qualifications for the position, and selections according to Federal Policies.

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